(b) if so, what are the details of all such places and capacity and area to be covered by the Remote Line Unit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and wil] be laid on the Table of the House.

Plan 103 instruments for use of Bombay subscribers

72. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that for Plan 103 instrument, there is a long waiting list in Bombay city;

(b) if so, what are the reasons that the Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited, Bombay has not been able to provide the Plan 103 to the subscribers;

(c) whether it is also a fact that each extension of Plan 103, the Nigam charges Rs. 500/- per annum as rent;

(d) whether it is also a fact that many private parties are in a position to supply Plan 103;

(e) if so, why does the Nigam not purchase these Plan 103 instruments and supply them to the subscribers as done for Push Button Instruments; and

(f) whether the Nigam will allow the subscribers to purchase these instruments from any source and not charge them any rent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Efforts for prompt supply of LPG to consumers in Bombay city

73. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many consumers are listed with the each of the LPG dealers of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited in Bombay City;

(b) what is the list of such dealers and the total consumers allotted to each dealer;

(c) which are the places where Government propose to appoint new LPG dealers; and

(d) what are the steps Government propose to take to see that the consumers get prompt and same day delivery of their LPG refills in Bombay City?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) The information is given in Statement—I (*See* below).

(c) in addition to the existing facilities, the two oil companies have proposed to set up under their Annual LPG Marketing plans upto 1988-89, 18 new LPG distributorships in Bombay city. The particulars are given in Statement—II (*See* below).

(d) Efforts are being made to maximise indigenous LPG production and also augment supplies through imports to the extent feasible in order to meet the demand of LPG in the country, including Bombay.